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Appl. No.: 08/940,692 ) Confirmation No. 5194  
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AMENDMENT FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

This amendment is concurrently filed with Appellants' Appeal Brief.

In response to a final office action dated March 26, 2003, in the instant application, a Notice of Appeal dated June 24, 2003 was filed.

Please amend the claims in the above-identified application as follows: